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AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

The present invention relates, in general, to pathogens and, in particular, to a method of blocking preventing or treating a pathogen infection comprising administering to a mammal in need thereof an effective amount of an inhibitor of Abl tyrosine kinase and to a method of identifying agents suitable for use in such a method.